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RESPONSE UNDER 35 U.S.C. §121 AND AMENDMENT

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated September 28, 2007, requiring restriction of the claims. A Petition under 37 CFR §1.136(a) to extend the time for response for five months from October 28, 2007 to March 28, 2008 and the fee of \$1115.00 due under 37 CFR §1.17(a)(5) are filed concurrently herewith. Please enter the following election and claim amendments.

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

ELECTION OF CLAIMS

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the claims of **Group I**, *i.e.*, Claims 1-6, 10, 14-23, 25 and 27 directed to a method of detecting a kallikrein 8 polypeptide associated with ovarian cancer for diagnosing and monitoring ovarian cancer, the progression of ovarian cancer or for determining metastasis.

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the species stated within generic dependent Claim 17 of CA125.

Claims 1-6, 10, 14-23, 25 and 27 read on the elected group. Regarding the species election which impacts only the dependent claim, pending claim 17 reads on the elected species.